1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA RAYMOND EDWARD STEELE, 10 11 Petitioner, No. CIV S-03-0143 GEB KJM 12 DEATH PENALTY CASE VS. 13 ROBERT L. AYERS, Jr., Warden of San Quentin State Prison, 14 15 Respondent. ORDER 16 17 Respondent seeks a 30-day extension of time to file a reply brief to petitioner's 18 October 14 Opposition to Respondent's Brief Regarding Procedural Defaults and Teague v. 19 Lane. Respondent states that petitioner has no opposition to the requested extension. The court 20 had intended to hear argument on these procedural default and <u>Teague</u> issues when it heard argument on petitioner's September 23 Motion to Strike, currently set for hearing on December 21 22 3, 2008. 23 Within five days of the filed date of this order, petitioner shall inform the court 24 whether or not he opposes respondent's requested extension of time and, assuming he does not 25 oppose the extension, whether oral argument on the motion to strike and procedural ///// 26

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default/<u>Teague</u> issues should be combined, which would require a continuance of the December 3 hearing date. DATED: November 12, 2008. steele proc def eot.or